

Young Art School Best in the Business

Adelaide Central School of Art has been identified as the **best art school in Australia** for student experience according to the **latest national Student Experience Survey (SES)** findings released on 16 May 2018.

The results indicate that **out of 22 Australian institutions**, including universities and non-university higher education institutions (NUHEI), **that offer a dedicated undergraduate visual art degree in the Study Area of Creative Arts**, Adelaide Central School of Art recorded:

- **1st for Overall Quality of Educational Experience**
- **1st for Teaching Quality**
- **1st for Student Support and**
- **3rd for Skills Development.**

The School has bettered its 2016 ranking by one place – it recorded 2nd for Overall Quality of Educational Experience compared to other art schools in the 2016 SES.

Other outstanding 2017 results record that **out of 94 other Australian institutions** (54 NUHEI and 41 universities) that offer undergraduate degrees, Adelaide Central School of Art ranks as **5th in Australia for Overall Quality of Educational Experience, 5th in Australia for Teaching Quality and 2nd in Australia for Student Support**. Please refer to the School's SES Report for more details.

“What a remarkable achievement for such a young school,” said Ingrid Kellenbach, CEO. “In this survey we are up against other art schools and universities who have been around for over 170 years. We’ve been offering our degree program for just 20 years now.”

“These excellent results reflect our commitment to our studio-based teaching model and small class sizes, which allow for plenty of one-on-one time with lecturers. Our extended academic year and award-winning heritage campus and facilities also play a part.”

“We are so proud and pleased that our students are satisfied,” Ms. Kellenbach said.

Established in 1982, Adelaide Central School of Art is an independent, not-for-profit, tertiary provider of visual arts education and is a member of the Council of Private Higher Education (COPHE).

“The 2017 QILT results show the high quality of education being delivered by Australia’s Independent Higher Education Providers” COPHE CEO, Mr Simon Finn said. **“The independent SES provides strong validation that the quality reputation of Australian higher education is not built on public universities alone.”**

The SES undergraduate results show that, across all Australian universities and NUHEI, independent providers scored 23 of the top 25 rankings for Overall Quality of Educational Experience and 24 of the top 25 rankings for both Teaching Quality and Student Support.

The SES is conducted each year by the Social Research Centre for the Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT) [website](#). It is the only comprehensive survey of current higher education students in Australia. The survey is funded by the Australian Government Department of Education and Training.